# WIRELESS COMMUNICATION FACILITIES POLICY STAKEHOLDERS REVIEW COMMITTEE – MINUTES

January 13, 2010 – 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Development Services Center/City Operations Building 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Training Room 1222 First Avenue, San Diego, CA 92101

#### **Committee Members Present:**

Joe La Cava, Chair
Frisco White, Vice-Chair
Carolyn Balkwell
Craig Benedetto
Bill D'Agostino
Robert Coffin
Leslie Daigle
Darrell W. Daugherty
Jon Dohm
Rod De La Rosa
First Alternate: Joe Parker

Kevin Gregory Kelly Lemker Charles Mellor Brooke Peterson Patrick Shipley Ed Smith, Jr. Jany Staley Joe Thompson Jason Wells

## **Committee Members Absent:**

**Patrick Shipley** 

#### **City Staff Members Present:**

Cecilia Gallardo, Development Services Karen Lynch-Ashcraft, Development Services Alex Hempton, Development Services Michael Neumeyer, City Attorney's Office

#### Call To Order: Joe La Cava

## **Non-Agenda Public Comment:**

Cynthia Morgan, Attorney at Seltzer, Caplan, McMahon, Vitek. Representing client (in-audible name but present at the meeting), and a number of La Jolla community members/homeowner's/residents in opposition to the five Verizon-Kate Sessions right-of-way cell phone towers with City applications to locate in Mt. Soledad area within one mile of each other. She plans to monitor meetings in hopes City will consider not broadening scope of ordinance or regulations with regard to allowing cell phone carriers to locate in residential neighborhoods.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS -**

<u>Agenda Item 1</u> - Phil Rath, Deputy Director of Policy for Mayor Sanders, welcomed and thanked the Committee members for donating their time to this committee, explaining that the Mayor convened this group as an exploratory process in the hope that rational, collaborative discussion of City's policy will yield a consensus on how to better handle the various industry and community issues and concerns.

Joe La Cava underscored Phil's point that the committee's key intent will be to identify specific problems to take on and to develop consensus on solutions.

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#### **Introductions of Committee Members and City Staff**

Members of the committee introduced themselves. All members were present except for Patrick Shipley who was unable to attend today's meeting and was represented by Amy Jones of Cricket Communications. Joe La Cava informed Committee that Joe Thompson will be replacing Rod De La Rosa.

<u>Agenda Item 2</u> – Deputy City Attorney Michael Neumeyer provided a PowerPoint training on an overview of the Brown Act as it applies to open and public meetings.

<u>Agenda Item 3</u> – Deputy City Attorney Michael Neumeyer gave a presentation on the Telecom Act and other Federal laws related to wireless communication facilities.

<u>Agenda Item 4</u> - Karen Lynch-Ashcraft and Alex Hempton of the Development Services Department presented a PowerPoint on current City policies and regulations that govern wireless facilities in San Diego.

#### **ACTION ITEMS -**

<u>Agenda Item 5</u> – Election of Vice Chair. Joe La Cava explained that with the eight members from the community and eight members from the industry he felt the logical choice for Vice-Chair would be Frisco White, the Design Professional representative to the committee. Joe La Cava entered the motion for Vice Chair to consider Frisco White or anybody else in this open meeting. This was seconded by Charles Mellor, and approved 17-0.

<u>Agenda Item 6</u> – Adoption of the meeting schedule. Joe La Cava suggested adoption of the meeting schedule for the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday's of the month at 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Motion to approve adoption of the meeting schedule (unidentified person), Seconded by Brooke Peterson. Approved 17-0.

Joe La Cava spoke regarding future discussion items. The second meeting will be turned over to the industry side of the committee to present their concerns. The third meeting will focus on the community issues and concerns.

Meeting adjourned: 9:10 a.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday January 27, 2010 at 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.